

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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FRUTERA AGROSAN EXPORT S.A.,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	
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- against -	:	24-CV-2643 (VSB)
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MSC MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING	:	
COMPANY SA, et al.,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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C.H. ROBINSON COMPANY INC.,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	
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- against -	:	24-CV-2649 (VSB)
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MSC MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING	:	
COMPANY SA, et al.,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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DOLE S.A.,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	
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- against -	:	24-CV-2651 (VSB)
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MSC MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING	:	
COMPANY SA, et al.,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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C.H. ROBINSON COMPANY INC.,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	
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- against -	:	
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	:	24-CV-2653 (VSB)
MSC MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING	:	
COMPANY SA, et al.,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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ARCOTRADING, LTDA,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	
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- against -	:	
	:	24-CV-2672 (VSB)
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MSC MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING	:	
COMPANY SA, et al.,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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JENNIFER E. WILLIS, UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE:

The above-captioned matters have been consolidated for pre-trial purposes and previously or recently referred for settlement.

Should the Parties wish to schedule a settlement conference, the Parties are directed to contact Courtroom Deputy Christopher Davis via email **by January 31, 2025** at WillisNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov to provide three mutually agreeable dates in **late February or early March**. Any conference will be held in person at Courtroom 228, 40 Foley Square, New York, New York. Should the Parties

not wish to schedule a settlement conference at this time, they should inform the Court via email by the same deadline.

Parties must attend in person with their counsel. **The Parties should be prepared for the settlement conference to last all day.** Corporate Parties must send the person with decision-making authority to settle the matter to the conference. **At least a week prior to the conference, the Court will hold a pre-conference call with the attorneys.**

The Parties **are required** to prepare pre-conference submissions in accordance with Judge Willis's [Standing Order for All Cases Referred for Settlement](#). These letters must be submitted **three days prior to the date of the pre-conference phone call.** See § 3 of the Standing Order, ("no later than three days before the pre-conference telephone call, counsel for each Party must send the Court by email a letter, marked "Confidential Material for Use Only at Settlement Conference," which should not be sent to the other parties. The letter should be sent to WillisNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov. This *ex parte* letter must not exceed three pages...The letter should include, at a minimum, the following: (a) the history of settlement negotiations, if any, including any prior offers or demands; (b) your evaluation of the settlement value of the case and the rationale for it; (c) any case law authority in support of your settlement position; and (d) any other facts that would be helpful to the Court in preparation for the conference.").

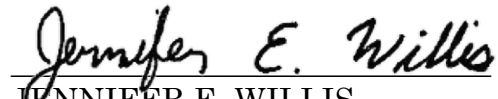
The Parties are also required to jointly fill out the attached form and submit it via email at least three days prior to the pre-conference phone call.

Finally, should any Party wish to discuss a possible declaration of bankruptcy, a limited ability to pay an award, or lack of access to cash to fund a settlement, the Parties are strongly encouraged to discuss such issues with opposing counsel prior to the settlement conference and to provide documents in their confidential *ex parte* letters that speak to their financial condition.

The Clerk of Court is respectfully requested to file this order in all of the above-captioned cases.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: New York, New York
January 15, 2025


JENNIFER E. WILLIS
United States Magistrate Judge